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SUBJ: UNESCO: 104TH EXECUTIVE BOARD: AGENDA
ITEM 7.1.6 ON THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

REF: STATE 118535

1. PRIOR TO OPENING OF MORNING SESSION MAY 10,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR IO MAYNES, ACCOMPANIED
BY AMBASSADOR TORRES AND USDEL MEMBERS, BRIEFED
SUCCESSIVELY EX BD CHAIRMAN MARTIN, THEN WEO PERMREPS
AND EX BD MEMBERS, AND FINALLY, SELECTED ARAB AND
AFRICAN EX BD MEMBERS TO CONFIRM TO THEM THE
SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WE REGARD ANY LINKAGE OF UNESCO
WITH THE COMMITTEE FOR THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE
PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

2. DURING COURSE OF MORNING, WE CIRCULATED COPIES
OF OUR DRAFT RESOLUTION PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
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REFTEL, WHICH AT THAT TIME DID NOT INCLUDE WORD
"LEGITIMATE" BEFORE "RIGHTS."

3. BEFORE OPENING OF AFTERNOON SESSION, AFRICAN,
ASIAN AND ARAB REPS MET, WITH COPIES OF OUR DRAFT
RESOLUTION IN THEIR POSSESSION, AND DISCUSSED THEIR
NEXT MOVES. THEY PRODUCED A REVISED DRAFT RESOLUTION

WHICH IS UNACCEPTABLE SINCE IT CITES FULL NAME OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE INALIENABLE, ETC., IN BOTH THE TITLE OF THE RESOLUTION AND IN THE BODY.

4. ITEM 7.1.6 WAS INTRODUCED IN PROGRAM COMMISSION AT COB MAY 10 BY DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR CPX JOHN KABORE (UPPER VOLTA) WHO STATED THAT THE DIRECTOR GENERAL CONSIDERED THAT HE HAD ALREADY COMPLIED WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS INCUMBENT UPON HIM RE THE COMMITTEE; THAT HE HAD THEREFORE NOT CONSIDERED IT NECESSARY TO ASK FOR EXBD'S GUIDANCE AT THIS TIME, AND THAT HE WOULD KEEP THE EX BD INFORMED AS APPROPRIATE. PX COMMISSION CHAIRMAN EL WAKIL (EGYPT) THEN CLOSED THE DAY'S SESSION.

5. USDEL HAS INTRODUCED ITS DRAFT RESOLUTION IN A FORM THAT CONTAINS AN AMENDMENT TO THE PRESENT TITLE OF ITEM 7.1.6 IN ACCORDANCE WITH USDEL/UNP TELECON MAY 9, DELETING REFERENCE TO THE COMMITTEE. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT U.S. AMENDMENT MAY NOT WITHSTAND ARAB CHALLENGE ON PROCEDURAL GROUNDS.

6. SPEAKERS ON THE LIST FOR MORNING SESSION MAY 11 ARE, IN ORDER, AGIOBU-KEMMER (NIGERIA), MURAYWID (SYRIA) AND AMBASSADOR TORRES.

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7. WE UNDERSTAND BELGIANS HAVE TAKEN SOUNDINGS AND BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL BE ONLY ONE OF THE EC NINE REPRESENTED ON EXBD VOTING AGAINST ARAB TEXT, AND THEY ARE SEEKING CHANGE OF INSTRUCTIONS TO PERMIT THEM TO ABSTAIN. AS OF NOW, WE ASSUME ONLY US AND AUSTRALIA WILL VOTE AGAINST ARAB TEXT.

8. USDEL WILL MEET AGAIN WITH WEO REPS BEFORE MORNING SESSION MAY 11 FOR LAST MINUTE DISCUSSION OF TACTICS.
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